

REMARKS

In accordance with the foregoing, FIG. 1 has been amended.

STATUS OF CLAIMS:

The Office Action Summary indicates that claims 1-46 are pending, with claims 2, 6 and 9 being withdrawn from consideration. Claims 3, 4, 7, 10, 14, 15, 18, 21, 26, 40 and 43 are deemed to be subject to restriction and/or election requirement. However, since these claims were not elected in the Response to Restriction Requirement filed December 23, 2004, Applicants consider these claims to also be withdrawn from consideration.

OBJECTION TO THE DRAWINGS:

Figure 1 has been amended herein to overcome the objection.

REJECTIONS UNDER 35 U.S.C. §102:

Claims 1, 5, 8, 11-13, 16, 17, 19, 20, 22-25, 27-39, 41, 42 and 44-46 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by Ma et al. (U.S. Patent 6,507,544).

It is respectfully submitted that this reference does not qualify as prior art under 35 U.S.C. §102. Specifically, the priority filing date of the present application is April 28, 2000, whereas the U.S. filing date of the cited reference is September 15, 2000. Thus, Applicants wish to "swear behind" this reference by submitting a verified translation of Korean Application 2000-22804. (attached).

CONCLUSION:

There being no further outstanding objections or rejections, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. An early action to that effect is courteously solicited.


Finally, if there are any formal matters remaining after this Amendment, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned to attend to these matters.

If there are any additional fees associated with filing of this Response, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

Respectfully submitted,

STAAS & HALSEY LLP

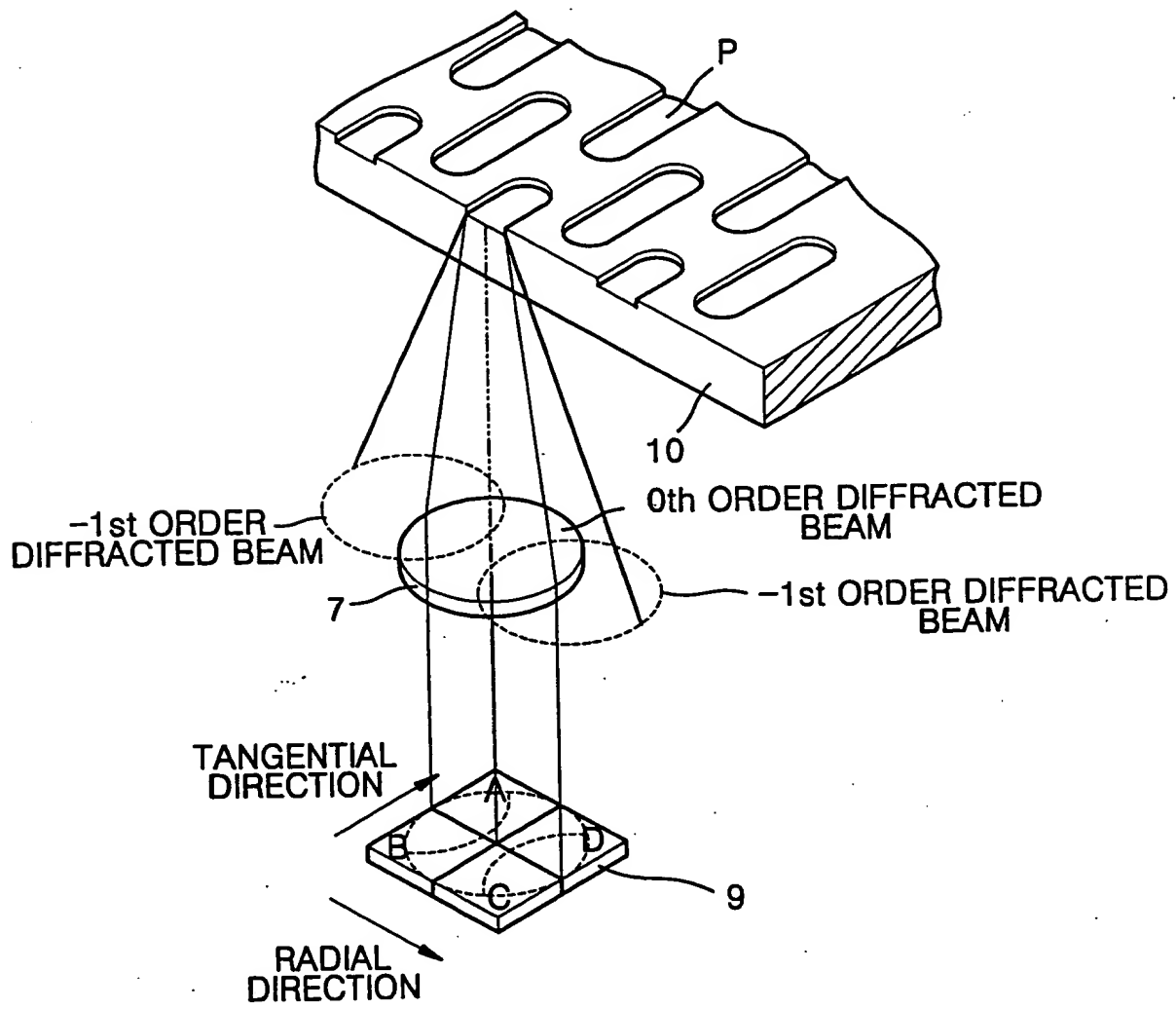
Date: 5-26-04

By: 
Michael J. Badagliacca
Registration No. 39,099

1201 New York Avenue, NW, Suite 700
Washington, D.C. 20005
Telephone: (202) 434-1500
Facsimile: (202) 434-1501



FIG. 1



PRIOR ART